

FORMER DELEGATE ANTON- JOSEPH IS DYING



Antonio Joseph

Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 28.—Word has been received here that Hon. Antonio Joseph, delegate from New Mexico from 1884 to 1894 and for years president of the territorial council is dying at

the Hotel Dieu at El Paso. He is suffering with Bright's disease and is not expected to live through the week. He is 64 years of age. It is said that the former delegate has expressed the wish to be buried in Santa Fe.

APPEAL FOR MINNIE ANSWERED

Little Girls Feet will be
Straightened and it is
Hoped she will Walk.

CHARITABLE PEOPLE

Jan. 22.—At 10 o'clock this morning at the home of Dr. Chas. E. Cornish, superintendent of the Children's Home Society, Drs. J. S. Easterday, G. O. Hope and P. G. Cornish will perform the delicate operation which is to give little Minnie, the cripple ward of the society, the use of her deformed club feet. The physicians have volunteered their services gratis. While the operation is not a rare one, it is nevertheless one that calls for considerable surgical skill and precision, and which to the layman appears wonderful. There are several methods which have been used in operations of this kind. In one, no incision is made at all, the bones being worked and kneaded back into their proper positions by skilled manipulation. In the subcutaneous method a small incision is made and the tendons are then severed under each the skin while the bones are repositioned. The operation is accompanied by practically no loss of blood. Still another method is the Phelps operation of cutting the under side of the foot. The surgeons in view of the general success which has attended such operations as that necessary today, believe that with proper care afterwards there is no reason why in a year's time the child should not have the full use of her lower limbs and feet.

"The operation itself is short in duration," said Dr. Cornish last night. "The restoration, however, of the normal functions of the entire legs and feet takes an indefinite time. In the case of this child, 'over-correction' will be performed; that is, the foot will be bent in the opposite direction from the present deformity in order that it will finally grow straight. The plan in Minnie's case is to place the feet in plaster casts as soon as the first soreness is gone and put her right on the ground, so that she may learn to use the muscles of the legs and feet. The plaster cast will be renewed as they are worn out until the legs are fully developed. If any paralysis persists, massage will be necessary.

"The child will need to be taken care of for at least a year before she is in condition to be taken into a home as a normal child. I should say that \$400 would be a minimum estimate expense for keeping her for a year, including the services of the necessary nurse," said Dr. Cornish when asked his opinion on the matter of expense.

It is due to the generosity of the kind hearted people of Albuquerque and New Mexico, as well as El Paso and parts of Texas that the money has been raised to make the operation possible; for without provision for careful nursing and attention after the operation it could not be successful. It is believed the contributions made will amount to \$125 in actual cash. Remittances are expected to come in, however, without delay, and it is believed the total will cover the expense.

It is seldom that any kind of appeal for aid has met with such a generous and wholehearted response as the request of Dr. Lukens in behalf of the Children's Home society that the people

help in making little Minnie able to walk. Owing to the brightness and attractiveness of the little maiden her pathetic deformity has made the strong appeal to public sympathy. The generous contributions testify strikingly to the approval by the people of the splendid work carried on by the Children's Home society.



NORTHERN N. MEX. EMPIRE OF WEALTH

Three Distinct Coal Seams
One Above the Other De-
veloped at Various Points

The coal fields of Colfax county, New Mexico represent resources from which revenue sufficient for the maintenance of an empire will yet be derived, and in the near future tens of thousands of miners will be employed.

Vast Area and Tonnage.
The result of a reconnaissance made by M. R. Campbell of the U. S. Geological survey places the areas underlain with coal at 870,400 acres, and the available tonnage at thirty billion, eight hundred and five million tons—a volume so stupendous as to be almost beyond mental grasp. This coal, sufficient to withstand a drain of one

hundred million tons per annum for a period of 300 years, is practically all within the boundaries of Colfax county. This is not conjecture; it is absolute certainty.

At no other place in the world it is claimed, is there to be found so great an extent of undisturbed and fully exposed outcrop as may be seen in this field.

Many Outcroppings.
Following the approximate course of the general line of the outcrop of the coal in Johnson Mesa which is in the northeastern part of Colfax County, thence 16 miles west to Gardiner, thence 36 miles southwest to Cimarron river, a total distance of 52 miles, the white sandstone outcrop of the various coal seams are visible the entire distance.

Along a bold escarpment, the result of erosion of the eastern projection of the coal measures, the different strata

people to believe that I am not fit to fight him," wires Jeffries. "But this is a deliberate lie. Johnson, to win, must knock me cold. I will not have it said that I was dragged from the ring to avoid a beating. But that nigger can never win from me. I'll give him the worst pounding that a man ever received. In my previous fights I always held back some steam because I was afraid of maiming my opponent. With Johnson, however, I am not going to hold back anything. He will receive the limit and just one punch will lay him so low he won't get up for an hour."

W. S. Savage, M. D. V., employed by the bureau of animal industry and in charge of this district, including three counties, left Thursday for his home in Illinois, having been summoned by a wire stating that his father was critically ill.

BRIDGEMAN KILLED ON THE DAWSON

Scaffold Broke and Let Two
Men Down Killing One
and Injuring the Other.

THE MEN FELL 30 FEET

Monday afternoon at about 4 o'clock at the high bridge between Cabeza and Campana, Joseph Belt and Ed Jones, bridgemen on the Dawson branch of the Southwestern, fell from a broken scaffold. Belt fell on his head and died instantly and Jones sustained injuries internally that will keep him in the hospital for some time. Six men were standing on this scaffold about thirty feet above the ground when it suddenly gave way, four of the number holding to the timbers and saving themselves. The dead man and the wounded one were brought in on the evening train and the wounded one taken to the local hospital and Belt to the Koch Undertaking Parlor. A coroner's jury was summoned and a verdict was rendered as follows:

Tucumcari, N. M., Jan. 24th, 1910. We, the justice of the peace and jury, who sat upon the inquest held this 24th day of January, 1910, on the body of Joseph Belt, after hearing the testimony of Physicians and others, rendered the following verdict:

That the said Joseph Belt came to his death from injuries sustained from a fall from the bridge on the Dawson railroad twenty-eight miles north of Tucumcari, which caused instant death.

E. E. Winter, J. P.
S. M. Wharton, Foreman.
Tom Horton
Max Taffoy
Ed Ellis
W. C. Hitch
Wm. Troup

All effort to get any trace of Belt's people has been unavailing and the remains were laid to rest in Sunnyside cemetery Wednesday. He had an accident policy payable to himself of \$100 and about \$500 in the bank which is being held until his relatives are heard from.

TUCUMCARI-MEM- PHIS FINISHING

All Traffic from Coast will
Be Transferred to Chicago
Trains at this Place.

OPENS RICH COUNTRY

The Tucumcari-Memphis railroad is almost completed to Amarillo. Only fifteen miles of track is to be laid and the line will be complete. The track is now laid beyond the Texas state line, and in a few days the gap of fifteen miles will be finished. This will open through traffic from Memphis to the Pacific coast via Tucumcari. The completion of this line will make Tucumcari the meeting point of trains going west from Memphis and south from Chicago. All traffic for the coast from the East will be transferred to the Chicago trains at this place, and those who are going east from points in Mexico via the Rock Island will be transferred to the T and M at Tucumcari. The running of trains over the T and M will open up a rich undeveloped country between this point and the Texas "Panhandle." Already there have sprung up good towns along the line of road. These towns will give the farmers along the line a good market place for their products, stores at which to buy their necessities of life, schools will be opened to their children, churches will be built in which they can worship according to the dictates of their several consciences, and in a few years the country known heretofore as "the home of the stockman" will be made to blossom as the rose. The News would advise every settler who can possibly do so, to hold his claim. If possible brave all the hardships that may come, and come they will in any new country, but do not sacrifice your land, for some day, and that soon, the land will become valuable and with 160 acres of good land you will not be under the lash of the Land Lord with whom you will have to divide your earnings.

Mrs. L. E. Sherwood is quite sick. G. C. Chapman's baby has been quite sick for several days.

PROMINENT TUCUM- CARIAN IS MARRIED

Leads Beautiful Kansas City
Girl to the Altar January
25th.

A QUIET WEDDING

On the 25th instant at the First Christian Church, Kansas City, Geo. W. Evans, Jr., and Miss Maud McKinley were united in marriage. The marriage was a quiet one, no invitations were sent out and only the near friends and relatives of the bride and the father and mother of the groom were present. Mr. Evans is one of the prominent business men of our city. He is a graduate of the Columbia University of law and a member of the territorial bar and that of his native state, Kentucky. He is a member of the local city council and one of the progressive members. He has been always aggressive as a member of that body in advocating public improvements and his patriotism for the welfare of the community and the city has made him a useful member. Mrs. Evans is an accomplished young woman. Her father and mother came to this country from England twenty-five years ago, and Rev. McKinley was for a number of years before his death minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Tucumcari, Ohio. After his death the family moved to Kansas City where they have since resided. Mrs. Evans during her residence in Kansas City, much of the time, was in the insurance office of her brother and his stenographer and assistant, and her business ability and good judgment soon won for her the recognition as an authority on insurance in that city. She is a musician, a beautiful woman and the bride of one of the best fellows in these diggings. She met our local townsman while out here last year for the purpose of rest and recreation after having partially recovered from a siege of typhoid fever. She lived here nearly a year and made the acquaintance and gained the friendship of a large number of our good people, all of whom will join the News in extending their very best wishes for their continual happiness through all their lives.

RELIGION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE CITY

PINCHOT CHOSEN TO SUCCEED ELIOT

Deposed Forester Becomes
Head of National Conserva-
tion Association.

The election of Gifford Pinchot to succeed Dr. Charles W. Eliot as president of the National Conservation Association has been announced. Dr. Eliot, at whose suggestion Mr. Pinchot was elected, retains the honorary presidency. Mr. Pinchot takes active charge of the association tomorrow the headquarters of which will be in Washington.

The National Conservation association was formed last July for the purpose of helping, through a large individual membership to put into practical effect the conservation principles declared for by the conference of governors in May, 1908.

The association was formally launched last October and since then under Dr. Eliot's personal direction it has secured a membership extending over the country. It is announced that an active campaign to extend the membership into every state will be carried on.

D. Martinez was before Justice Winter this week charged with wife beating. Martinez pleaded guilty, was fined ten dollars and costs and sentenced to jail for 25 days. The jail sentence was suspended upon good behavior, but when Martinez failed to pay the fine he was committed to the bastille.

Tucumcari has 3,000 population and about 10,000 dogs. The Coyotes were bad enough, but the nightly howls of the canines of this city would if possible, change the route of the comet.

A Clean Cut Statement from Prof. Munson of Interest To Us All.

CHARGES UNFOUNDED

At the request of the News Prof. Munson has given us the following statement which thoroughly covers the controversy that has been going on for the past three months. Prof. Munson says:

In response to a request for a statement regarding the reported teaching of religion and sectarian doctrines in the Tucumcari public schools permit me to say that this charge is absolutely without foundation, that at no time this year has any such instruction been given in these schools.

I took occasion in the first teachers' meeting of the year to caution the teachers against anything that might savor of sectarian or religious instruction owing to the fact that we have children of so many denominations and creeds in school. This caution has been strictly observed. There has been no bible reading or religious exercises of any kind whatever in the schools with the exception of the reciting of the Lord's prayer in one of the rooms on assembling in the morning, neither have any of the children been at any time required to "copy, learn and sing" any songs of a sectarian or religious character.

About November 1, a member of the school board informed me that complaint had been made that certain songs containing the name of Jesus Christ were being sung in the schools. "Onward Christian Soldiers" was mentioned in particular as one of the objectionable songs. I investigated the matter and found that this song had been sung at the request of the pupils in one of the rooms.

In December, while preparing for the Christmas exercises in the schools, I was again interviewed by the same party, this time over the telephone, and informed that songs of a Christian character were being sung in the schools, and that the practice must stop and that all preparations for Christmas must cease. I asked him if he was opposed to Christmas exercises of every kind and he informed me that he most certainly was. I referred the matter to the Board and gave it no further attention. In a few days I was again called up over the telephone and informed that in as much as the practice of singing these objectionable songs still continued he proposed to take the matter to Santa Fe. On investigation at this time I found that in one of the rooms the little children had asked permission to sing "Jesus Wants are for a Sinner" and that the teacher had permitted them to sing it. I again referred the matter to the Board, and asked the teachers to refrain from singing any more of these songs till the matter could be adjusted.

In the meantime the matter had been referred to the Hon. J. E. Clark, Territorial Superintendent of Public Instruction, and he was requested to come to Tucumcari and investigate the matter. When Mr. Clark arrived he interviewed both sides of the controversy and instructed us to hold our Christmas exercises in accordance with the plan he had sent out from Santa Fe, but to exercise caution in the singing of songs containing the name of Jesus Christ, as the party who had made the charge threatened to bring suit if the practice was not discontinued. Since this time no songs containing the name of Jesus Christ have been sung in our schools.

At the Christmas exercises held in the high school auditorium on Christmas Eve the songs sung were "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "It was upon a Midnight Clear." Neither of these songs contained the name of Jesus Christ. Again the complaint went to Santa Fe that we were singing religious songs in the Tucumcari schools, and that suit would surely be brought if it did not discontinue. I then placed room 2 on the first floor of the high school building in charge of a teacher and announced that any pupils who did not care to attend chapel could go to this room during the chapel period. Charges were then made in this connection that I had made intimations hurtful to the feelings of certain persons. When this latest charge came to my attention I concluded that it would be impossible for me to give any kind of moral instruction or to hold any kind of exercises that might be construed as "religious" or as "hurtful to the feelings of certain persons." After a conference with the Board we decided to discontinue all chapel exercises until the wishes of the patrons of the school could be more definitely ascertained. The latest contention, I am informed

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DAWSON, THE SECOND LARGEST CAMP IN THE UNITED STATES—SOURCE OF OUR FUEL SUPPLY

hundred million tons per annum for a period of 300 years, is practically all within the boundaries of Colfax county. This is not conjecture; it is absolute certainty.

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Three Coal Seams.
There are three distinct coal seams one above the other developed at various points in this immense tract of country, which are known locally by the following names: The Raton or Blossburg, the bottom seam; the Tin Pan or middle seam; and the Potato Canyon or top seam.

The Raton or bottom seam varies in thickness from four to 14 feet. The Tin Pan or middle seam lies 455 feet above the Raton or bottom seam which is from four to six feet thick. The Potato Canyon or top seam lies 355 feet above the middle seam and is from two and a half to five feet thick.

Thus, the coal horizon of Colfax county is over 800 feet thick from the top to the bottom seam.

All Seams Are Workable.

All these seams are workable, commercial propositions. The bottom or Raton seam coal is excellent cooking, steaming and domestic fuel. The Dawson mines are in this seam. The product of the middle or Tin Pan seam is high-grade bituminous coal, comparatively low in ash and of excellent cooking quality, as well as a superior domestic fuel. The coal of the upper or Potato Canyon seam is of similar character and quantity to the middle seam.

Six Coal Camps.

There are six coal camps scattered for 40 miles along the eastern outcrop of this great coal field, viz: Yankee, with a capacity of 250 tons of coal a day; Brilliant, with a capacity of 600 tons a day; Gardiner, with a capacity of 1,000 tons a day; Van Hook, with a capacity of 4,000 tons a day; Koehler, with a capacity of 3,000 tons a day; and Dawson with a capacity of 2,200 tons a day. The total capacity of these camps is 11,000 tons a day. This capacity can, when the demand calls for it, increase this output many times over. Indeed the coal measures have been scarcely scratched.

Dawson Camp.

The nearest coal camp to El Paso is Dawson, operated by the Stag Canyon Fuel company, a subsidiary branch of the Phelps Dodge company. Incorporated here are 570 coke ovens, the population of this camp is 3,500. The washery is five-story, reinforced concrete, fire-proof structure, of capacity of 2,200 tons every 10 hours. The Santa Fe railroad and the El Paso & Southwestern railroad are the only roads between this city and the Colfax coal camps.

FAVORS TUCUMCARI- ROSWELL LINE

Roswell, Northern & Gulf
Co. Files Incorporation
Papers.

CAPITAL \$150,000

Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 7.—The Roswell, Northern and Gulf railroad has filed incorporation papers in the office of Territorial Secretary Nathan Jaffa. The road is to be built from Roswell to Tucumcari and is to be 146 miles long. It is believed that the Rock Island system is friendly to the new road. The capital stock is \$150,000 all paid in. The incorporators and directors are: Charlie C. Tanshille, Aurelius Proitt, John W. Rhea, James F. Hinkle, Edgar L. Bedell, Clifton Chisholm, J. Phelps White of Roswell. The stock is divided into 1,500 shares.

FIREMAN W. D. OSBORNE DEAD

W. D. Osborne, the fireman who was injured at the time Engineer Elkins was killed, died in the hospital at Alamogordo Thursday night, and his remains were brought to this city this morning on train No. Two.

It was thought that Osborne would recover as his condition seemed to improve after going to Alamogordo, and his friends were much surprised to hear of his death. His father and mother live near Tucumcari on a claim. The details of the funeral and burial were not arranged when we went to press.

At one o'clock our boarding houses this week a boarder saw beans come to the table every day for six days. He calmly folded his hands, looked at the proprietor and said: "this reminds me of the eighth verse of the 13th Chapter of the Epistle of Hebrews."

Donald Stewart went to Las Vegas Wednesday on business.

BATTLING NELSON AND ED WALGAST

Will Fight for the Light-
weight Championship at
San Francisco Feb. 22.

San Francisco, Jan.—Batting Nelson and Ed. Wolgast have at last been matched and will fight for the light weight pugilistic championship on Feb. 22. The bout will be staged just outside the limits of this city. According to the terms, Nelson is to receive \$12,000, win, lose or draw. Wolgast gets \$3,750 and training expenses.

Mid Hester, matchmaker for the Mission club, has made an announcement in which he states that Wolgast's manager has accepted his terms, and given him full permission to go ahead with arrangements. A new arena for the fight will be built in San Mateo county, just south of this city. The weight will be 133 pounds ringside.